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SUBJECT: NATURAL GAS EXPORT PRICE INCREASE

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1. MONTREAL GAZETTE OF APRIL 18 REPORTS THAT ENERGY MINISTER MACDONALD STATED ON APRIL 17 THAT DECISION ON NATURAL GAS EXPORT PRICE INCREASE WON'T BE MADE UNTIL AT LEAST NEXT THURSDAY (APRIL 24). MACDONALD REPORTEDLY SAID THAT APRIL 17 CABINET MEETING DID NOT GET CHANCE TO CONSIDER THE MATTER. MACDONALD ALSO SAID, ACCORDING TO NEWS STORY, THAT ONE OF THE ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE GAS PRICE DISCUSSIONS IS THE EFFECT ON OVERALL RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION.

2. MACDONALD STATEMENT, AS REPORTED ABOVE, WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY HAVE PRECEDED KNOWLEDGE BY MACDONALD OF EMBASSY REQUEST FOR URGENT AND HIGH LEVEL CONSULTATIONS (AS REPORTED IN REFTEL) WHICH WERE NOT MADE WITH EXTAFF UNTIL SHORTLY AFTER NOON YESTERDAY AND WHICH MACNABB, EMR DEPUTY MINISTER, SAID HE WOULD TRY TO RELAY TO MACONALD LAST NIGHT.

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